



Idaho Crop Progress and Condition

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Winter Wheat Planting Underway

Agricultural Summary

For the week ending September 6, average weekly temperatures ranged from four to eleven degrees above normal. Precipitation throughout the state was consistently below normal for the week. Major agricultural activities included irrigating, caring for livestock, and harvesting alfalfa, dry beans, small grains, and potatoes.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Reports indicate topsoil moisture to be 10% very short, 31% short, 58% adequate, and 1% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

Crop Progress Table

Percentages	2009	2008	Avg.
Field Corn Harvested for Silage	8	4	9
Potato Vines Dying/Killed	54	37	51
Dry Beans Harvested	50	30	31
Dry Peas Harvested	96	89	94
Lentils Harvested	90	79	91
Oats Harvested for Grain	85	67	76
Alfalfa Hay 4 th Cutting	12	9	20
Peaches Harvested	80	62	78
Onions Harvested	20	13	22
Mint 1 st Cutting Harvested	99	95	98

Field Crop Report

Winter wheat planting has begun in all four regions of the state, including North Idaho at 2 percent planted. Caribou County reported that warm dry weather helped farmers get crops harvested. The Camas County extension educator reported a grasshopper problem. Statewide, dry peas are at 96 percent harvested and the first cutting of mint is at 99 percent harvested. Plum and prune harvest is 75 percent complete.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

No livestock problems were reported. Range and pasture conditions were reported 65 percent in either good or excellent condition. The second cutting of alfalfa hay is nearly complete at 97 percent complete, with third and fourth cutting at 50 and 12 percent complete respectively.

Condition Table

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Barley	--	1	10	61	28
Range & Pasture	--	11	24	55	10
Potatoes	1	--	5	86	8
Irr. Water Supply	--	4	11	64	21

Crop Progress District Table

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg	2009	2008	Avg
Spring Wheat Harvested	93	82	92	100	100	100	97	98	98	62	61	80	76	72	86
Barley Harvested	93	85	93	98	100	100	98	90	95	56	49	72	71	65	81
Winter Wheat Harvested	98	94	98	100	100	100	99	99	99	93	95	98	97	96	98
Planted	2	--	2	5	1	5	5	6	7	13	3	8	6	2	5
Potato Harvested	NA	NA	NA	42	30	37	7	5	10	1	--	2	5	3	6
Alfalfa Second Cutting....	83	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	93	92	97	97	95	98
Third Cutting.....	NA	NA	NA	88	77	91	71	90	88	10	26	37	50	60	68

Avg (2004 – 2008); NA = Very small percentage of acreage in district.

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Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, September 6, 2009 ^{1/}

Station	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation		Since Mar 1 Precipitation		Growing Degree Days Since March 1		
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Base 40 Total	Base 50 Total	Base 50 DFN
North											
Coeur D' Alene	92	50	69	5	0.10	-0.18	10.50	0.61	3328	1928	34
Grangeville	90	45	66	7	0.02	-0.37	14.10	0.14	3190	1798	378
Lewiston	97	49	74	6	0.01	-0.20	5.50	-0.91	4417	2783	307
Porthill	90	42	67	8	0.09	-0.26	10.76	1.92	3047	1672	167
Winchester	90	46	68	11	0.17	-0.11	12.37	-1.14	2640	1372	396
Southwest											
Boise	95	52	74	8	0.00	-0.14	8.31	2.99	4123	2507	127
Emmett	95	52	74	9	0.00	-0.16	6.98	1.73	4050	2491	197
Glenns Ferry	96	51	74	8	0.01	-0.12	8.43	4.30	4067	2495	192
Grandview	97	48	73	7	0.00	-0.14	3.78	0.29	4085	2473	-95
Nampa	92	51	71	5	0.01	-0.13	4.00	-0.63	4074	2467	76
Parma	95	53	73	8	0.01	-0.17	4.19	-0.87	4201	2575	312
South Central											
Fairfield	88	41	63	5	0.06	-0.12	7.65	1.61	2464	1182	-139
Malta	93	44	68	6	0.00	-0.21	7.47	0.85	3130	1703	-102
Picabo	90	47	68	9	0.02	-0.13	7.80	2.26	2985	1655	222
Rupert	90	49	69	7	0.00	-0.14	5.27	0.54	3260	1821	-32
Twin Falls	90	49	70	9	0.00	-0.14	6.44	1.65	3529	2027	258
East											
Aberdeen	89	47	68	8	0.00	-0.14	7.51	2.52	3065	1673	100
Ashton	85	42	64	7	0.22	-0.07	10.80	1.08	2443	1149	-59
Fort Hall	91	44	68	7	0.00	-0.20	8.19	1.66	3050	1661	-103
Idaho Falls	90	45	67	7	0.05	-0.14	7.30	1.37	3123	1701	40
Lava Hot Springs	89	46	67	5	0.00	-0.20	10.69	4.58	2972	1596	-168
Monteview	87	41	63	4	0.07	-0.13	5.88	0.11	2703	1371	-201
Preston	89	51	70	7	0.00	-0.21	9.78	1.96	3347	1877	28
Rexburg	90	41	65	7	0.02	-0.20	8.71	1.47	2629	1285	-4

1/ Summary based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit www.awis.com or call 1-888-798-9955.